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## Farmington Times

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 1904.

Buy drugs of Laakman.

Clayton seed at Klein's.

Flower seeds at Klein's.

Mrs. S. C. Watts is on the sick list.

A full line of glass and queensware at Klein's.

W. Bleek had business in St. Louis Friday.

Get your fresh sausage at Auten's City Meat Market.

Wm. Latta has removed with his family to Charleston.

Miss Kathie and Will Wade visited in Boone Terre Tuesday.

Prof. F. T. Appleby has been on the sick list the past week.

J. Bird Smith made a business trip into Wayne county last week.

Grace seeds of all kinds at the Farmington Mercantile Co's store.

You will always find a full line of the best make of shoes at Herzig's.

Born, February 24, 1904, to the wife of D. E. Reese, a daughter.

Crope paper—to close out—5 cents per roll. E. M. Laakman.

W. S. Anthony had legal business in Hillsdale and DeSoto this week.

Best clover, timothy, red top and orchard grass seed at A. L. O'Brien's.

Clovers, hams and bacon always on hand at Auten's City Meat Market.

Miss Genevieve Tillman of St. Louis is the guest of Mrs. Fannie Castleman.

Born, Friday, February 19th, to the wife of J. D. Cousins, a daughter.

Go to the City Meat Market for your choice steaks, roasts and pork chops.

Splendid line of carpets just received by the Farmington Mercantile Co.

Big reduction in prices on fine clothing, hats and shoes at A. L. O'Brien's.

Misses Robert Popkin, Edith and Ruth Hattie, spent Sunday in Boone Terre.

Eng. S. A. Young, with cow, Jersey and Holstein stock, imparts in this office.

Miss Zerk Wilson of Yellville, Ark., visited her mother, Mrs. Henry Nelson, last week.

Born, Thursday, February 25, to the wife of Mr. George Morris, a 13-lb. pound girl.

The largest line of writing tablets in the city; call and see and be convinced. E. M. Laakman.

Rev. J. C. Berryman of California passed his 50th birthday anniversary on the 25th inst.

Mrs. Smith, daughter of Flat River, spent Sunday with the family of Frederick S. J. Hendley.

Born, Monday, February 22nd, to the wife of Pleasant Keith of Libertyville, a daughter.

You will always find a full line of the best grade groceries at A. L. O'Brien's. Phone 20.

Kenneth Walker, senior law student in Washington University, visited his mother this week.

Mr. Peter Bloom, who lived about six miles east of Farmington, died Tuesday of pneumonia.

Mrs. W. C. Whitney visited her parents, Hon. and Mrs. J. N. Burks, of this place last week.

Born, Sunday, February 22, 1904, to the wife of John Overall of DeSoto, an eleven-pound boy.

Born, Friday, February 19, to the wife of Mr. Fred Smith, living two miles south of town, a son.

Born, February 21, 1904, to the wife of John Murrill, a son. John says he is a stalwart Democrat.

Mr. Bert Heard of St. Louis spent several days last week with his sister, Mrs. Henry Reuter, of this place.

Attorney Monte Haw of Charleston, who has been visiting his father several days, returned home Tuesday.

Mrs. Henry Kernerman of Knob Lick, who has been visiting Mr. Henry Mauley, returned home Tuesday.

Mr. Joe Perkins, of Fredericktown who has been visiting his sister, Mrs. R. Fugate, returned home Monday.

Mrs. Annie Blackwell of Stanton, Ill., is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John R. Murphy, of this place.

Miss Florence Lawrence spent last week with her brother Ellis, who is attending the St. Louis College of Pharmacy.

Miss Mayme Meuge went to St. Louis Saturday to take a position in a millinery establishment during the coming season.

Mr. W. L. Hensley and bride returned Tuesday evening from their wedding tour through the northern part of the State.

Michael Kraft, who has a position in St. Louis on Coleman's Rural World, visited his parents near this place last week.

For Rent.

Five-room cottage.

Eight-room dwelling.

Carter dwelling.

SMITH, BLEECK & CO.

Groceries at Klein's.

Pop corn at Klein's.

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## Kim—Pigg.

It was something of a surprise to their many friends when they learned that Kim and Miss Edna Pigg were quietly married on the evening of the 21st inst., at the home of the bride's parents in Farmington. Rev. W. R. McCormick performed the interesting ceremony.

Mr. Kim is a young man of unimpeachable character and sterling worth, and is popular with all who know him. He is a member of the bar and practiced law very successfully before coming to Farmington several years ago, but his health being impaired he abandoned his chosen profession and took up that of stenography, in which he is quite proficient.

Miss Pigg is the accomplished daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. P. Pigg of this place. She is a graduate of Carleton College, having taken an A. B. degree and also a degree in music from that institution. Several of her translations of the Latin classics were considered by her instructors worthy of publication.

Mr. Pigg, the bride's father, was the founder and for years the editor of the Farmington News, and is at present President and one of the principal stockholders of the Farmington Telephone Company.

The groom and bride left Monday morning for their new home in St. Louis. The Times joins their host of friends in wishing them every happiness and prosperity.

Fine new line of hot water bags—Seasonable goods—everyone guaranteed. E. M. Laakman.

Poultry food—the kind that will make your hens lay—at Klein. Grocer Co's.

R. F. Mitchell is looking after the interests of the Barr & Widen Mercantile Agency in this section. The collection department of this company constitutes one of the most important features of their business, and their record of securing salvage from claims placed in their hands during the past twenty-two years is probably unparalleled. During this time the company has handled old claims alone, exclusive of current claims, amounting to \$3,500,000, and on these old claims, which had been given up as lost, has collected in the neighborhood of \$1,250,000. This company courts investigation and guarantees results. All business and professional men needing the services of a reliable adjuster upon their old and bad accounts should investigate this company's mode of operations, etc.

Miss Mollie Gray, accompanied by her daughter, Miss Alice Gray, and her grand daughter, Miss Ruth Prescott, returned home Monday from a visit with the family of Mr. Robert Terley.

Misses Mable Ellis of St. Louis, who has been visiting Miss Laura Morris, returned home Saturday. Miss Morris, who will accept a position there during the millinery season, accompanied her.

Mr. J. R. Graham of DeSoto has one of the most profitable cows in the county. She is eight years old and has given him to eight calves. For three successive years she has given birth to twin calves.

The roll call which was to have been made at the M. E. Church last Sunday was postponed on account of the bad weather until next Sunday morning. All members and friends are invited to be present.

William E. Rose and his new bride of St. Joseph stopped over in Farmington several days this week on their wedding tour and visited Mr. Rose's sisters, Misses Mary K. and Anna Rose of the Farmington Sanatorium.

For most approved shapes and substantial wearing qualities in men's and women's shoes, go to Herzig's Shoe Store, three doors east of post office. His line of heavy shoes for the farm and other outdoor work is the best made.

Miss E. G. Mosely, mother of the editor of the Bloomfield Vindicator was buried to death on the 16th by her relatives catching on fire by standing too close to the stove. She was so seriously burned that she lived only six hours. She was 79 years old.

Taylor Vance, living seven miles east of town, accidentally shot himself while handling a shot gun. The charge struck the right thumb so inflicting it as to necessitate amputation. Drs. Fleming and Robinson performed the operation and report that the wound will speedily heal.

A Panic party was given at the home of Linn Clardy last Thursday evening in honor of Miss Brown of Fulton. Those in attendance were Misses Elsie and Adele Cayer, Nellie Conway, Hannah West, Rose Routh, Nellie Keeling, Emma Keller and Mrs. J. P. Cayer. Messrs. Thomas Burke, Fred Wilson, J. Paul Cayer, John McCormick, James Morris, J. Bird Smith, Robert Forsythe, J. Fred Gould, Melbourne Smith and Dr. Will Isomman.

Mr. T. J. Short has a full-blooded Durham cow that is a record breaker for milk and butter. In the past twelve months this cow has supplied his family with milk and butter. W. H. Houchens' family with butter and besides furnished State Hospital No. 4 with \$64.40 worth of milk. Added to this is \$15 more for which Mr. Short sold her calf. He thinks this is a record breaker and would like to know if anybody has a cow that can beat it.

Miss Ida Rowley, "the story teller," is the attraction which the Union Entertainment Course has for its next number. She will be here March 28. After her reading at Chautauqua on one occasion, Bishop John H. Vincent wrote her: "Your reading was wonderful. It permitted no breath of adverse criticism. You feel what you read. You are possessed of your theme. Come to Chautauqua again. Bring your voice, your pathos, your power, and yourself—forgetfulness."

J. R. Perkins leaves to-day for lower Southeast Missouri, where he has been called to meet some Illinois capitalists. Mr. Perkins is largely interested in the real estate business in that part of the country, and says he has some rare bargains both in Missouri and Arkansas. One is a tract of 13,000 acres on the St. Francois river in Dunklin county of which he has full control. While there he will help survey and make a map of the land, after which it will be priced according to quality and location. Prices, terms, etc., can be had of him.

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## Ed. Anderson Dead.

Wednesday night about eleven o'clock Adolph, better known as Ed. Anderson, breathed his last in the Farmington Sanatorium where he had been removed for treatment.

Mr. Anderson was born at Oxe-lund, Sweden, about 65 years ago. His parents died while he and a brother were quite small. He was bound out until he reached his majority. He came to this country with his brother, Peter Anderson, when about 23 years of age, and for a while worked on the Springfield branch of the Missouri Pacific railroad. His brother went to Utah and he came to this county and worked for a while at Iron Mountain. Later he worked on various farms throughout the county.

By denying himself the comforts of life he managed to accumulate a piece of property and several hundred dollars in money. He made a will. Mr. Anderson stated shortly before his death that he had heard recently from his brother in Utah, but could tell nothing definitely about his whereabouts. Some time ago a Peter Anderson died in Utah and left some property, but Mr. Anderson was unable to prove that it was his brother.

The Celebrated Amorillas toilet water only 21 cents per bottle. E. M. Laakman.

The largest line of writing tablets in the city; call and see and be convinced. E. M. Laakman.

An Old Prescription.

A prescription was recently refilled in Charleston that was issued 43 years ago by Dr. J. L. Haw, now living at Farmington. The prescription was numbered 1. We'll bet that prescription was for "Spiritus Frumenti, q. s." and that since Charleston has "gone dry" it was resorted to to do duty.—New Madrid Missouri. You are very likely mistaken here. Waters, the gentleman who wrote that prescription is one known by thousands to be a true Christian and respected by all and all alike; furthermore, Charleston is not "dry" yet, as we have a licensed saloon until June 10. You have another bet coming.

Fine new line of hot water bags—Seasonable goods—everyone guaranteed. E. M. Laakman.

Cost of the Trial.

Below is the total cost of the McCarroll trial up to date, excepting the fees of the circuit clerk:

Witness fees.....\$510.85  
Jurors' fees.....\$29.25  
Sheriff's fees.....\$8.00  
Judge and stenographer.....\$50.00  
Total.....\$1,328.85

ANNOUNCEMENT.

After having continuously in the general merchandise business for fourteen years, we have sold out our entire business to Cole & Nixon Mercantile Company, who will conduct a much larger business at our old stand. In making this announcement we wish to thank the good people for their very liberal patronage extended to us and for the success we have had and to ask our friends and customers to extend their patronage and business to our successors, assuring them that fair, honest dealing will be the motto of the new firm.

We are very truly yours,

COLE & NIXON.

TEN DOLLARS REWARD

For a gray mare, stolen from hitch post in Farmington, February 20, 1904; about 15 hands high, 9 years old, strong built in left hind leg, high headed, good saddle, hind feet hooked. Had on Texas saddle. A reward of \$10 will be paid to any one leading to her recovery or the apprehension of the thief.

H. T. McLAUGHLIN, Farmington, Mo.

Notice.

Having disposed of our co-partnership, all persons indebted to the firm are requested to come and settle up immediately.

COLE & NIXON.

Do you want a new waist this spring? If so you should see the beautiful line of new goods just received by the Farmington Mercantile Co.

Ten-horse power engine and 20 inch burr, all in good order; will sell cheap or trade for team.

J. R. PERKINS, Farmington, Mo.

Owing to the raise in the price of wheat the price of baker's bread has been raised to seven cents per loaf in Chicago.

Rev. David Hogan of Nevada Mo., died Saturday. He was ninety-two years old and had performed one thousand marriage ceremonies.

The case of Charles Kratz, hoodler, came up for hearing in St. Louis Tuesday. A change of venue was asked for by defense.

Mrs. Martha Ann Frissell of DeSoto celebrated the 96th anniversary of her birthday on the 15th, and is probably the oldest person in Southeast Missouri. She was born in Potots.

Butler county Circuit Court was in session eleven weeks, the longest term ever held. Judge Fort cleaned the docket by disposing of 1,900 cases during that time.

The crew of an Iron Mountain train pulling into Piedmont gave a ball one night last week for the relief of a family which Conductor C. W. Ketcham found starving to death, and over \$50 was raised for them.

Good Farm for Sale.

120 ACRES, 4 1/2 miles east of Farmington. Good 7-room frame house, large barn, granary and numerous other buildings. Good well at barn, eastern at house. A good bargain for some one. Price, \$2,600. Address, ELZA B. BURGESS, Farmington, Mo.

## BISMARCK BREVITIES.

The pale horse and his rider have been busy in our town and as a result we chronicle the following deaths: On February 12th, 1904, M. L. Houck died at Steelville, Mo., and was brought to Bismarck for interment. Sometime previous to his death Mr. Houck had requested a vault built in the I. O. O. F. cemetery here, and having died before it was completed the remains were taken to Mr. Wm. Horton's and kept till Monday, the 22nd inst., when the burial took place. Mr. Houck was a member of the Odd Fellows' lodge in California. Bismarck lodge No. 349 I. O. O. F. took charge of the funeral, which notwithstanding the inclemency of the weather, was attended by a large crowd of friends and relatives. Messrs. Devine worked at the vault night and day after the arrival of the material. It was necessary to put up a large tent and a stove to enable the men to work. The deceased was a few days more than 74 years old and was single, having never been married.

Raymond Life, the little son of Mrs. Rife, a teacher in the public school here, succumbed to pneumonia on the 20th inst., aged 7 years, 6 months and 17 days. The deceased had a hard struggle all winter, having first had a severe attack early in the season. He had recovered, however, and was attending school when, on the 12th he was suddenly and severely attacked by pneumonia from which it soon became apparent he could not recover. The funeral services were conducted by Rev. Martin from the M. E. Church South, and was attended by a large concourse of friends.

Reuben Wilson, an old citizen residing just in the edge of Washington county, was found dead by his son, in a field where he was at work, on the evening of the 13th inst. Mr. Wilson was in as good health, apparently, as usual, but not returning at the accustomed time a search was made and the lifeless body found. Bismarck Masonic Lodge conducted the funeral and the remains were interred in the Hamilton cemetery. The deceased would have been 73 years old on March 19, 1904. He leaves a number of children and many friends to mourn his loss.

Wm. McDaniel, commonly known as "Uncle Billy," died of pneumonia Friday, the 19th inst., aged between 80 and 90 years. He had been an object of charity for several years and at the time of his death occupied the house formerly owned by Mrs. Lagrar. Deceased seemed to be laboring under a hallucination, though when approached seemed rational enough. He gave no one any trouble and he was given a very respectable burial in the I. O. O. F. cemetery, the citizens having subscribed the amount necessary to purchase a grave and funeral outfit.

A serious wreck occurred in the railroad yards here last Friday morning. A freight train standing on the main track was struck by a fast passenger train, caused by the crew of the former not having a flag out. One brakeman was very seriously injured, considerable damage was done to the passenger engine and the caboose and a box car or two were knocked into "smitherens."

Christopher Wilson, who for several years resided at Victor Colo., but during the recent strike in Colorado went to California, returning to Kansas City, Kansas some time since, is at home, having come to attend the funeral of his father.

Candidates for city offices are making their appearance now. Chas. Huff, Wm. Adkins and John Armstrong for Marshal. Who's next?

J. T. Williams of Flat River and F. P. Kemmer of Elvins were in Bismarck Sunday.

Messrs. Nicely and McNulty have moved their families to DeSoto. Miss Deulah Norrid spent a few days with her parents last week.

Hon. D. L. Rivers transacted legal business here Monday.

A. Wagley was recently initiated in the I. O. O. F.

Lena Horton is on the sick list.

February 23 1904. O.W.

## IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT.

We have bought the merchandise business and good will of Messrs. Cole & Nixon and will in the future conduct a General Merchandise business at their old stand. In addition to the large stock formerly carried by them we will add several lines not heretofore carried by this firm. In short, we propose to make our store the most complete in the city, to meet the wants of the people and sell our goods at the lowest price consistent with economic business. We will handle all sorts of Country Produce for which we will at all times pay the highest market price.

Mr. A. T. Nixon has been retained as Business Manager and we feel that his reputation for fair dealing is a household word among all who have ever had business with the old firm. We ask an examination of our goods and a comparison of our prices before buying elsewhere. We especially ask housekeepers to wait and see our new line of Furniture, Carpets and House Furnishing Goods.

Very truly yours,

COLE & NIXON MERC. CO.

The Fredericktown Democrat-News says that Wm. Mounier killed a five foot black snake in his yard one day last week.

Mrs. Maggie Smiley, a young woman of 19, who had been married only six days, committed suicide at Poplar Bluff on the 16th. She had had a quarrel recently with her lover, Virgil Turley, and then married Dan Smiley. She reported in a few days and committed suicide by shooting herself in the temple, death being instantaneous.

Mrs